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SUBJECT: SRI LANKA: GLOBAL PEACE OPERATIONS INITIATIVE  
PARTNERSHIP PRESENTED

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¶1. (SBU) Pol Chief and PolOff presented the offer for a Global Peace Operations Initiative Partnership with Sri Lanka (ref a) to MFA Additional Secretary for Multilateral Affairs Maduwedegera on October 25. Maduwedegera appeared interested and asked several questions for clarification. He undertook to vet the issue with higher levels of the Sri Lankan government.

¶2. (SBU) We indicated that we would seek an appointment to make a presentation to Defense Ministry officials when DATT returns from the current Marine Expeditionary Unit exercise in Maldives. Embassy will follow up with senior officials of MFA and MoD to determine Sri Lankan interest in participating.  
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